

Dear FCC Representatives,

I respectfully IMPLORE you to reject the NAB's petition 04-160 that would eliminate local traffic and weather from satellite radio. I am an avid XM Radio listener. I think the monthly fee that I pay is well worth it when I do not have to listen to the abhorrent local commercial radio stations here in metro Atlanta. I am tired of the barrage of commercials and egotistical big mouths that are considered talent on these stations and except for the local NPR affiliate, refuse to listen to them. This means that I am very limited in the amount of local information I receive. Here in Atlanta round-the-clock traffic information is much needed and I am sure will be enthusiastically welcomed. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, allow XM and other satellite providers to give us these services.

Also, I would imagine having local traffic information at the touch of a button would be a huge boon to our nation's trucking industry. I know that truckers form a large part of the XM audience and that the traffic and weather stations could be a valuable tool for their jobs. Anything that keeps traffic flowing and our roads safer should be viewed as valuable benefit to the public, especially those of us who willingly pay for satellite radio.

Thank you for your consideration!!